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TURNED

The Board of City Commissioners Into a Political Machine.

Ex-Commissioner Jos. Hugill Tells Why Akron's Just Placed on Sale. Citizens Should Vote Against Judge G. M. Anderson.

Ex-City Commissioner Jos. Hugill, in politics always a Republican made a statement to the DEMOCRAT today which appeals to the interests of every Akron taxpayer and voter.

Mr. Hugill holds Probate Judge G. M. Anderson responsible for the deplorable condition of Akron's finances because of his interference with the affairs of the Board of City Commissioners, and is going to do all in hi power to bring about his defeat.

"It was Judge Anderson who introduced politics into the affairs o. the Board of City Commissioners," said Mr. Hugill. "One of the first acts of Judge Anderson after taking his office was to dismiss all men from the Board of Commissioners who would not do his bidding. He was a dictator, always. He undertook to dictate to me what I should do as City Commissioner, but I would not stand it and he deposed me, with others equally independent, from the Board.

"While Judge Stuart and Mayor Harper had the appointing power," continued Mr. Hugill, "The Akron City Commissioners were free to do as they deemed best for the interests of the city, but no sooner had Judge Anderson been inducted into office than he proceeded to make the Board of City Commissioners a part of a political machine-a machine that would not only do his own personal bidding, but which would favor the privileged interests, corporate or otherwise, as Judge Anderson should command. This was noticeable in the vacillating policy of the Commissioners during the telephone contest last spring.

"Instead of being a truly non-partisan Board, as the creators of the Commissioner law intended, politics and politicians' interests seem to have been the chief consideration of the Commissioners who owed their ap pointment to Judge Anderson. The peoples' interests have been neglected. or, at best, have received only secondary or perfunctory attention.

"An illustration of this policy may be seen in the present condition o Akron's finances. In 1897, after the City Commissioner system had been in force for nearly five years, Akron's tax levy of nine mills was ample to basis. meet the current expenses of the city. At that time there was no thought of borrowing money to pay the salaries of city officials or any other of the city's general expenses. The reason was that during all of the previous it being hoped that enough money administrations the City Commissioners had been permitted to use their own best judgment in conducting the affairs of their office; they kept a tution would be self-sustaining. strict account of how much money they had to spend under the annual tax levies and did not attempt to spend any more than their income.

"For instance, during the winter of 1897 the Commissioners used about benefit of having it in existence. The \$3,000 of the Street Fund to furnish work for the unemployed of Akron, in need of such an institution is undertending, the following summer, when work would be more plentiful, to stood by everybody. Under these spend that amount less in the Street department. It was at this juncture that Judge Anderson came into office and took a hand in running the affairs of the Board. Inmediately the policy of keeping within the income changed. Expenditures were incurred without any regard to what was coming in. The usual amount of work was done in the Street department, following communication and report whose fund was already depleted by the amount used during the winter for the unemployed, to which I have just referred.

"This was the beginning of the series of extravagances which within sideration of the public, the annual two years has plunged the city into debt to the extent of more than \$61,000, reports of the treasurer and super--according to Treasurer Berger's statement-every cent of which is a intendent of the Akron city hospital charge upon the property of Akron people.

"I insist that not a single dollar of these overdrafts upon the treasury and forced loans would have been nec essary had the Board of City Commissioners administered its affairs for the benefit of the city, instead of 18, shows that we treated 238 patients in the interests of Judge Anderson's political machine.

"Akron is rapidly nearing a tax crisis because of this mismanagement of her finances, and today our citizens behold the spectacle of the city's 4,408-an increase of 1,530 days, at an bonds being bid for below par-a thing unusual for a city of Akron's credit average cost of \$1.89 per day, or 38

"Should the decennial appraisement of real estate next year result in the diminution of the duplicate, it will be impossible to avoid a tax crisis; indeed, it is likely that a committee of Akron citizens will have to go to we find a deficit in the treasury of the Legislature this winter and obtain the passage of a measure permitting \$865.39. We also have bills for Octoan increase of the levy for current general expenses, or our city will be ber, and interest due on notes, which hopelessly bankrupt.

They tell us that the Akron City Council should be held responsible for this condition. I say that the responsibility lies wholly and absolutely very evident to you, that this must with the City Commissioners. Not a dollar's expenditure originates with the Council.

"Even now some of the men upon the Board of City Commissioners are openly working to bring about the re-election of Judge Anderson; neglect- sisting of Geo. W. Crouse and the ing their duties as city officiais to engage in a political contest-a thing writer will visit, as soon as practicathat is strictly forbidden by the law which created the Board of City Com- ble, the different manufacturing

"Instead of trying to extricate the city from the financial slough into which it has been plunged by mis-management and neglect on the part of ness people of the town, and people Judge Anderson's subordinates on the Board, they are doing all in their who can afford to contribute to this power to perpetuate the very thing which I condemn.

"These abuses will continue just so long as the people of Akron and scription to defray the expenses of Summit county vote to continue in office the author of the system of gov- the hospital. ernment by proxy.

"For my part I shall vote and work to prevent the re-election of Judge one on the part of the Board of trus-Anderson. I know of at least two hundred prominent, independent Republicans in Summit county who will do as I shall. Judge Anderson cannot they have had a great deal of care in get these men back into line by appeals to their party loyalty. Their own carrying the thing along, until now interests and the interests of their city outwelch mere partisan considers- it has become burdensome and we tions in determining how they shall cast their vote.

"Every member of the Citizens' Commit tee of Fifty and every citizen whose rights the Committee was organized to protect. should oppose Judge Anderson for re-election, who, so far as I have been able to ascertain, and as I believe, and as the acts of his proxies attest, has never been in real sympathy with the cause for which the Citizens' Committee and the citizens were contending in the great struggle with the telephone monopoly."

LATE FALL

The expenses for the same period

were \$9,023.45 showing a deficit in

expenses for the same period were

Superintendent's Report.

Miss Marie A. Lawson's report, as superintendent, is complete in every

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COWARDLY

Year Old Girl.

Two Men Dragged the Child Into

Shed-No Clew.

Chamberlain, 319 South College st..

st., near Buchtel av.

eleven-year-old Hazel Cole,daughter

With Hazel, when she entered the

yard was little Mina Fuchs, daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Fuchs, 613

South Broadway, but she managed

The assault was made by a rather

young looking man. He caught the

little girl, dragged her into a shed

and kept her there quite a while.

entered. However, no attempt at

Something frightened the men

away and the little girl returned

DIPHTHERIA.

Cases There.

The rumor, however, is without

Mines shut down. The

great diamond fields of

South Africa are closed.

Owing to the war and

increasing demand, the

Are rapidly advancing.

We placed our order

before the advance, con-

sequently can save our

customers a large per

The Jeweler

prices of

ease will spread.

only run to the city limits.

criminal assault was made.

nome, in a fainting condition.

No clew to the guilty persons.

Jackets

The Upham-Brouse Co. The First

HELP

Needed at Hospital. \$8,895.95. or \$905.89 in excess of the

Citizens Asked to Assist

In Maintenance.

Large Increase In Last Assault Made On Eleven Year's Work.

More Patients Treated at Institution.

Cost Per Capita Has Been Consider. of Mrs. Susan Cole, teacher in the ably Reduced.

An extraordinary effort is to be made by the trustees of the City hospital to put that most excellent institution on a sound financial

At a special meeting of the trustees to escape. tee to solicit funds for the hospital, could be obtained in that manner to Increase the income so that the insti-

Each year the work of the hospital is growing broader. More of Akren's people are daily feeling the circumstances the citizens are asked to help in its maintenance.

President Barber's Letter.

The DEMOCRAT is in receipt of the from Mr. O. C. Barber:

"I submit herewith for the con 'The increase of work done at the

hospital has increase the expensa very materially. A review of the business of the year closing October -an increase of 75 patients over the previous year-the number of day's treatment of these patients being cents per day less than the treat-

ment of the previous year. "At the close of the year's business together with this deficit, would aggregate \$2,015. It will therefore be necessitate an increased income. For the purpose of procuring this inpreased income, a committee concompanies of the city. We also expect to call on the prosperous busicharity, to give us an annual sub-

"This work has been a gratuitous tees and officers of the hospital and ask the good people of Akron to come to our relief.

Respectfully submitted, "O. C. BARBER. "President.

Treasurer's Report.

The following is from the report of Treasurer J. B. Wright: The total receipts for the year, in cluding a balance of \$117.80 on hand

Friday Evening, Nov. 3 were \$9,023.45 showing a deficit in the treasury of \$865.39. The current receipts for the year, from all sources amounted to \$7,990.26. The current expenses for the same period were

Temple Quartet Elvie Burnett, Reader Leland T. Powers Listemann Quartet George R. Wendling Katherine Ridgeway Concert Co.

MACHINERY

While returning from the home of Ready For Operation. her grandmother, Mrs. Chas. J.

High school, and who resides at 130 Shipped From Chicago to Brown st., was assaulted. She was the Akron Plant. passing through the yard of the United Brethren church on Center

Will Soon Follow.

Another man was there when they More Than One Hundred Men Will be Emplyed.

> Penn Foundry Company's Works Are Almost Completed.

It Is Epidemic In Barberton-Twenty Nearly a score of black diphtheria South Akron is almost completed. cases are reported at Barberton and has just finished removing machinmuch fear is felt that the dread dis- ery from the temporary buildings to the permanent ones, and by Decem-The rumor was prevalent today ber I all the machinery will be estabthat the Magic City had been quar- lished in the plant, and everything

antined and that Rapid Transit cars in readiness for operation. Within a few weeks the company's machinery at Chicago will be shipped to Akron, and a large number of workmen will also come from that city to begin work when the plant is started in operation. One hundred and twenty-five men will be em-

ployed by January 1. Indications are that the company factured will be toilet mirrors, geometrically-carved mouldings and door panels.

South Akron's other new industry. the Penn Foundry and Manufacturing company's plant, is progressing rapidly. The building will be under roof in four weeks, and shipment of a reporter for the DEMOCRAT Mon- coffee. day evening that by the first of the year 150 men would be employed. Within a month 60 men will be at work in the plant.

The main building is 76x150 feet, is thought that this space will soon be covered with buildings. The specialties to be manufactured

will be automatic instantaneous water heaters and plumbers' sup-

BIRTHS.

Alfred C. Light, 1306 South High st.,

OSTERHOUSE-Oct. 29, to Mr. and Mrs. A. F . Osterhouse, 568 East Buchtel av., a daughter.

CRISIS

In City Finances.

Expenses Have Been Increased So Much

That the Highest Tax Levy Allowed by Law

Does Not Provide Enough to Meet Demands.

Deficit Will Amount to \$70,000 by January 1.

What Have the City Commissioners Been Doing?

Twenty-three thousand, four hundred and eighty dollars and forty cents (\$23,480,40.) Rather a large sum, thought City

council Monday night, to pay for claims audited October 30. But the itemized account was there; the claims were correct, and

nothing remained for council to do so it did. Not, however, was the ordinance

passed without comment as to the apparently reckless manner in which the City Commissioners are conducting the business of the peo-

Finally, Mr. Brady aimed a direct inquiry, which had the effect of bringing forth the information vital. not only to the council members, but to every citizen in Akron. "In view Gave Signed Statement of these facts, I want to ask the City Clerk in what shape, financially, Large Number Workmen this city will be in by the first of the new year? It is claimed there will a shortage of \$61,000 and that it will be necessary to borrow money Millie Belle Weary Charged Local capture of the Royal Irish Fusiliers to start with from the first of the

year." Clerk Isbell replied: "A month ago, the Treasurer notified us that if we kept on at the present rate our indebtedness at the end of the year would amount to \$61,000."

Then Mr. Isbell sounded a little warning to council which had the effect of bringing forth a lively discussion in financial matters. He said:

"Every year the financial condition of this city keeps growing worse. The Goehring Manufacturing Co., Something must be done to keep the building for whose plant in down expenses. This year's ex-

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Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend out heartfelt thanks to all the neighbors and friends and those who contributed the beautiful flowers; and also the physicians and the proprietor of the Hotel Buchtel, who did all in their power to assist us in our sad bereave-

MR. AND MRS. J. SNOWBERGER AND FAMILY.

Vire Setting Machine. Joseph A. Burrows of this city has

secured a patent through his attorneys Humphrey & Humprey that will have a prosperous run from the will issue today for a machine for first, as orders are already booked far setting rubber tires on vehicle ahead. The specialties to be manu- wheels. Mr. Burrows has assigned his interest in the patent to the Had Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.

SHE QUIT COFFEE And Got Well in Common Sense Way.

', When I left off coffee, it seemed that was the thing hardest to drop. I had been put on a diet for stomach trouble, had a good appetite but no food would stay on my stomach. machinery from Pittsburg will begin was compelled to leave off one thing soon. A member of the firm said to after another, but never suspected the coffee, however, my stomach trouble ceased entirely, also my nervousness, and I can again sleep well. But a new trouble then arose. was I to get along without my coffee! It was a great temptation when I saw it on the table in the morning. and has several small additions. The One day a friend who knew of my company's property is 76x450, and it case sent me a package of Postum is thought that this space will soon Cereal Food Coffee. After it had been prepared, I had great misgiv-ings about using it, for it looked so much like fine coffee that I feared it would have the same effect, but I soon found it to be free from all jurious properties and its use has been of great benefit to me.

coffee since using Postum Cereal Food Coffee. My cl.ildren derive LIGHT—Oct. 29, to Mr. and Mrs.

If red C. Light, 1306 South High st., son.

If cond Coner. My c. Indren derive great benefit from using Postum. Says he filed the affidavit as a matter Newburg asylum. At a meeting of moral right and for the protection Trustees Monday the position was of Canton young men who are freentirely." Alice Lawrence, Bowen.

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Postum Food Coffee is sold by all

Offers today another indisputable combination of bargain valuesanother undoubted week of exceptional value giving. The prices

Tin pot coversonly	3c	
4 quart milk crock only	5c	
1 quart milk crock only	3c	
White dinner plates only	3c	
Cups and saucers, with handles, per set only	29c	
6 quart granite pans only		
4 quart granite preserving kettleonly	10c	
4 quart granite sauce pans only		
Large granite wash basin only	10c	
Gold dust only	3c	
Large wash boards only	10c	
12 bars P.R.S. soaponly	25c	
6 foot stepladdersonly	37c	
100 piece decorated dinner sets only \$	5.62	
12 piece chamber sets only \$	2.98	

GOODS DELIVERED TO ALL PARTS OF THE CITY.

J. J. BRASAEMLE'S 5c & 10c Store

P. R. Smith's Old Stand

Telephone 138 118 SOUTH HOWARD STREET

Citizens, Attend the Meeting

Hall, Tomorrow Night. Turner

Speeches by Judge C. R. Grant, Mayor W. E. Young but pass the ordinance to pay-and and Messrs. I. H. Phelps and S. G. Rogers. A German speaker from Cleveland will be present.

All members of the Akron Democratic Club are urged to meet at Democratic headquarters at 6:30 to attend the meeting at Turner Hall. A band will be in attendance.

DYING GIRL

1 to an Attorney.

Physician Operated On Her.

Coroner E. O. Leberman, assisted by Prosecuting Attorney R. M. Wanamaker held an inquest in the Millie Belle Weary case Tuesday morning at the court house.

Dr. W. E. Chamberlain was the principal witness. On her death bed Miss Weary gave a signed statement to Attorney H. M. Hagelbarger in which she alleged that Dr.Chamberlain had performed a criminal operationion her. He was questioned by Dr. Leberman and Mr. Wanamaker, and declared all the statements she made

as untrue, stating that he never knew the girl and further that she had never visited his office.

mother of the deceased, was the last

Police Raid

tion with the Grand Opera house. priated by the police.

result of spite work. He alleges that "I have never had any taste for that the young man adopted this method of getting even. Albaugh quenters of such places. He has a Cleveland. younger brother, he says, who was invelgled into the practice of gamfirst-class grocers at 15 and 25 cents bling, for whose welfare he has much per package.

Special Sale

For One Week

Began Monday Morning, October 30th.

quotations and judge for yourself.	Ene
4 quart tin pails only	5
Tin pot coversonly	- 3
4 quart milk crock only	
1 quart milk crock only	
White dinner plates only	3
Cups and saucers, with handles, per set only	29
6 quart granite pans only	10
4 quart granite preserving kettleonly	
4 quart granite sauce pans only	
Large granite wash basin only	
Gold dust only	
Large wash boards only	10
10 ham D D C seen	

Other witnesses examined were Doctors. R. B. Carter, Geo. M. Todd, Harry Todd, who attended the girl lines between Cleveland and Pittsjust before she was taken to the burg. hospital on Oct. 17, and after that until her death on Oct. 20. They also related the findings of the post mortem. Mrs. Catherine L. Weary,

ALBAUGH

Gambling Den.

Into the Game-Two Stories.

Canton by the raid of a gambling grades of P. & W. room conducted by Levi Hartranft. GROVE'S STORES SOLD-The

Besides the proprietor, six visitors clothing store in this ciey. were arrested. In police court they were fined heavily, amounting in the The Akron Society of Natural Hisaggregate to \$166.65. A large bucket full of poker chips and other appa- Nov. 9, at the home of Dr. C. W. ratus used in the games were appro- Millikin, 168 S. High st., to re-organ-

he refused to lend Albaugh \$150, and

BOER'S VICTORY. Two Regiments of British Soldiers

Captured in the Hills. London, Oct. 31 .- (Special.)-The war office has received a dispatch from Gen. White, commander of the British at Ladysmith, reporting th and Glouchestershire regiments by the Boers. They were surrounded in the hills, surrendering after heavy

Fatal Fire.

Montreal. Oct. 31-[Special]-Several people perished in a fire which destroyed the Webster house today. Attend Democratic meeting at Tur

ner hall, tomorrow night.

LAST LINKS. NEW LODGE-Lodge of Improved Order Heptasophs will be in-

stituted in Akron, Nov. 14.

oushing consolidation of electric FATAL WRECK-Fireman Lewis Holliday, killed, and Engineer Geo.

GREAT SYSTEM-Promoters are

Cupps, fatally injured in wreck at Carborn, Pa., Monday, on P. & W. L. A. S. MEETING-The Ladies' Aid society of Grace Reformed church will meet at the pastor's home, 122 North Summlt st., on

Wednesday afternoon. GIRLS IN WHITE-The Ladies Escort, better known as the "Girls a In White" reached Akron on an A. B. & C. special this afternoon. They will present "A Confederate Spy" at the Grand tonight.

INSPECTION-C. T. & V. and B. Has a Brother Who Was Inveigled & O. officials inspected Valley road Monday. This is said to confirm story that B. & O. will get control. A sensation has been created in Engineers are working on curves and

The affidavit was filed by T. K. stores of Thomas H. Groves were (Coe) Albaugh, who is well known sold Monday in Cleveland to George in this city, by reason of his connec- W. Cady for \$24,400. Groves was proprietor of the Chicago Bankrupt

NATURAL HISTORY CLASStory will meet Thursday evening. ize for the coming season. Prof. S. Hartranft claims his arrest is the P. Orth will read a paper.

HOWARD TURNED DOWN-Dr. A. B. Howard of Cuyahoga Falls was defeated in his race for the apmethod of getting even. Albaugh says he filed the affidavit as a matter Newburg asylum. At a meeting of

THE WEATHER:

Probably rain tonight.